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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Navajo Nation Red Lake #18 Chapter Complex project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Navajo Nation Division of Community Development, located at 2296 Window Rock Boulevard, Window Rock, Arizona. The funding would be used to construct a new Red #18 Chapter Complex. For 31 years, the Chapter has operated out of a modular facility that limits the Chapter's ability to serve the community effectively and efficiently. There are many safety issues including inadequate meeting space, non-ADA compliant doors and restrooms, leaking roofs, poor outdoor ADA ramps, and limited outdoor security lighting. The new chapter complex would provide a safe and welcoming environment for community members, including elders and students, by providing safe access to an ADA compliant facility with adequate meeting space, commercial kitchen, a strong roof, computer rooms, and conference space for government functions.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Teresa Leger Fernández Member of Congress